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TO THE HEADS OF ALL DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES:

The natural gas crisis this winter points up, again, the urgent need for conserving energy.

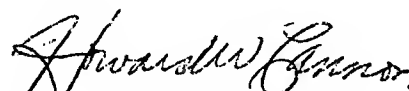
Every feasible means of decreasing the need for energy in the production of Government printing must be pinpointed and adopted.

Among other things, those responsible for designing, printing and publishing Government publications should curtail the use of coated stock (paper) and of full reverse printing on text and cover pages.

The use of coated stock should be restricted to the relatively few fine quality publications which require highest fidelity halftone reproduction; in all other instances, uncoated book paper should be substituted.

Full reverse printing should be used only where the heavy-ink process is absolutely essential.

Sincerely yours,



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